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**COMMENTS INVITED ON TLX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A  
TELAMERICA AND ADVANCED TEL, INC. D/B/A EATEL APPLICATION TO  
DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

**Comp. Pol. File No. 618**

**Comments Due: November 26, 2002**

**Section 214 Application**

**Applicant: TLX Communications, Inc., d/b/a TelAmerica and Advanced Tel, Inc. d/b/a Eatel**

On October 23, 2002, **TLX Communications, Inc., d/b/a TelAmerica (TLX) and Advanced Tel, Inc., d/b/a Eatel (Eatel)** (collectively Applicants) located at **913 South Burnside Avenue, Gonzales, Louisiana 70737-4258** filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (Commission), requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended<sup>1</sup>, to discontinue provisioning of interstate long distance service to selected markets.

The application states that Applicants are affiliated corporations and are seeking to streamline their respective operations by discontinuing services in specified markets where they serve few or no subscribers.<sup>2</sup> Both Applicants seek to discontinue interstate long distance service in the state of Ohio, and TLX also seeks to discontinue service in New York and Pennsylvania. Applicants mailed notice to the nine affected customers on September 23, 2002 (Ohio), and September 24, 2002 (New York and Pennsylvania).

In accordance with section 63.71(c), the application will be deemed to be automatically granted on the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day after the release date of this notice, unless the Commission

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 214(a). *See also* 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

<sup>2</sup> Applicants anticipate filing a total of four Section 63.71 Applications, and, finally, a notification of plans to transfer TLX's few remaining subscribers to Advanced Tel.

has notified Applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective.<sup>3</sup> The Commission will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would be otherwise adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a “permit but disclose” proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules.<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, interested parties may file comments on or before **November 26, 2002**.<sup>5</sup> Such comments should refer to **Comp. Pol. File No. 618**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. The original and four (4) copies of the comments should be sent to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room 6-A207, Washington, DC 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, Comments should be served upon Applicant. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-2345, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone 202-863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via e-mail at [qualexint@aol.com](mailto:qualexint@aol.com).

For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), [cweather@fcc.gov](mailto:cweather@fcc.gov), or John Adams (202) 418-0394 (voice), [jkadams@fcc.gov](mailto:jkadams@fcc.gov), of the

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<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).

<sup>4</sup> See generally 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 - 1.1216.

<sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419.

Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit [http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other\\_adjud](http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other_adjud)

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